

To: McWhirter, Lisa[McWhirter.Lisa@epa.gov]
From: Albright, David
Sent: Wed 2/4/2015 6:24:16 PM
Subject: RE: Rep. McNerney's office: UIC question

Response is under development. I'll pass on whatever we develop.

From: McWhirter, Lisa
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 10:22 AM
To: Albright, David
Cc: Dermer, Michele
Subject: FW: Rep. McNerney's office: UIC question
Importance: High

Hi David,

Do you have time to help me respond to the Congressional inquiry below regarding California AEs. Peter will be at hearings tomorrow and may be asked questions on this. Have you or your press office developed a response to these questions already?

Thanks,

Lisa

From: Green, Holly
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 1:18 PM
To: McWhirter, Lisa
Cc: Bergman, Ronald; Greene, Ashley
Subject: FW: Rep. McNerney's office: UIC question

Lisa,

Can you please find out what R9's response is and draft something for Peter per the request below? You can send to Ron- I am out today after 2pm.

Thanks!

Holly

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From: Green, Holly
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 1:15 PM
To: Kumar, Chitra
Subject: FW: Rep. McNerney's office: UIC question

From: Greene, Ashley
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 1:03 PM
To: Bergman, Ronald; Green, Holly
Subject: FW: Rep. McNerney's office: UIC question

Hi Ron and Holly,

OCIR let us know that Peter may receive a question at his HABs hearing tomorrow morning on the inquiry below from Congressman McNerney in CA regarding CA AE. Region 9 has the lead on responding to the actual inquiry, but Peter would like you to draft a short response he could

use if asked during the hearing (that aligns with what Region 9's planned response).

If possible, please draft the response by 4 pm. Sorry for the tight deadline.

Thanks!
Ashley

From: Davis, CatherineM
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 12:00 PM
To: Greene, Ashley
Subject: Rep. McNerney's office: UIC question

Hi Ashley,

Region 9 has the lead on this inquiry, so you don't need to respond. I just want you to have this question for Peter because it will probably come up tomorrow. If I get any information from Region 9 as they respond to the question, I'll forward it to you and Peter. I don't know what the actual question will be, but it will probably be something along the lines of

In my state of California, where we are entering our fourth year of extreme drought, oil and gas wastes have been injected into drinking water sources for years. How is EPA addressing this issue?

I've forwarded the email from Cong. McNerney's staff below.

Regards,

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From: Frison, Teresa [<mailto:Teresa.Frison@mail.house.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2015 5:46 PM

To: Levine, Carolyn

Subject: Clean water protection

Hello Carolyn,

I just read this article <http://thinkprogress.org/climate/2015/02/02/3618295/california-allows-oil-companies-to-pollute-drinking-water-sources/>

The article states that California has until this Friday, February 6th to provide the EPA with a plan. Since the Environment and the Energy Subcommittee is having a hearing this Thursday about clean water protection I wanted to reach out about this issue.

Do you know what EPA will ask California to do in this issue? The state allowed the oil companies to inject this waste into drinking water and that seems highly suspect, I thought there were regulations dealing protecting clean water. Since California is entering into year #4 of its

drought it would seem reasonable to ban such contamination especially in such severe conditions.

I am looking to address this type of water contamination in Thursday's hearing and also seeing what steps can be done to stop this type of activity.

Thank you,

Teresa

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